

DECISION



THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL
OF THE UNITED STATES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548

FILE: B-184601

DATE: August 7, 1975

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MATTER OF: International Visual Products, Incorporated

DIGEST:

Protest filed 14 working days after basis of protest was known is untimely since § 20.2(b) of our Bid Protest Procedures requires that protest be filed within 10 working days of date basis of protest was known or should have been known.

By letter of July 21, 1975, International Visual Products, Incorporated (IVP), protested the handling and award of a contract to another firm under request for proposals DAAG08-75-R-0206, issued by the Procurement Directorate, Sacramento Army Depot, Sacramento, California.

The record indicates that on July 7, 1975, IVP received a letter dated June 30, 1975, from the contracting officer advising IVP that its proposal was unacceptable and that award had been made to another firm. The protest to our Office was received on July 25, 1975, 14 working days after basis of the protest was known or should have been known. Section 20.2(b) of our Bid Protest Procedures (40 Fed. Reg. 17979 (1975)) provides in pertinent part that "* * * bid protests shall be filed not later than 10 days after the basis for protest is known or should have been known, whichever is earlier." Therefore, this protest is untimely and will not be considered by our Office on its merits.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul G. Dembling".
Paul G. Dembling
General Counsel